

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant:  | Joseph G. Laura                 | § |                        |
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| For:        | SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR           | § |                        |
|             | DISTRIBUTED PROCESSING IN COBOL | § |                        |

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Office Action dated December 26, 2007, and respectfully requests the following amendments to the above-identified application. The changes made are shown by underlining the added text and striking through the deleted text.

**Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.